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SUBJECT: RHODESIAN SANCTIONS: CORE GROUP IDEA

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1. MISOFF MET WITH UK MISOFF ALISTARIE, WHO IS
THE UK REP ON THE SANCTIONS COMMITTEE, ON JULY 27 TO
DISCUSS THE CORE GROUP IDEA SET FORTH IN REFTEL.

2. RELIE HAD A PARALLEL INSTRUCTION FROM LONDON,
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SUBBESTING THAT HE RAISE THIS SAME MATTER WITH USUN.

3. CORE GROUP IDEA WAS FAVORABLY LOOKED UPON BY RELIE
AND, AS IS KNOWN BY DEPARTMENT, ALSO FAVORABLY BY USUN.

4. USUN AND UKUN ARE JOINTLY SUBMITTING THE FOLLOWING
COMMENTS TO WASHINGTON AND LONDON, , RESPECTIVELY:

(A) AFTER COORDINATION, LONDON AND WASHINGTON COULD SUGGEST TO AGREED LIST OF CAPITALS THE FORMATION OF A CORE GROUP TO MEET IN NEW YORK AT THE WORKING LEVEL. THE FIRST MEETING MIGHT TAKE PLACE IN MID-SEPTEMBER AND INITIALLY WOULD BE HOSTED BY THE UK MISSION.

(B) THE INITIAL LIST OF GOVERNMENTS WHICH MIGHT BE ASKED TO MEET AS A CORE GROUP WOULD BE THE US, UK, FRANCE, FRG, CANADA, ITALY, SWEDEN, THE NETHERLANDS, AND JAPAN. WE MIGHT WISH TO INCLUDE SWITZERLAND IN THE INITIAL INVITATION.

(C) THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS COULD FORM THE AGENDA OF THE FIRST CORE GROUP MEETING:

(I) CORE GROUP MEMBERS TO MAINTAIN CLOSE AND SUPPORTIVE POSITION WITH THE SANCTIONS COMMITTEE.

(II) GOVERNMENTS WOULD BE ASKED TO BRING APPROPRIATE PRESSURE ON COMPANIES AND THEIR CITIZENS.

(III) GOVERNMENTS WOULD BE ASKED TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF SANCTIONS VIOLATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE, AS HAVE THE BRITISH IN THE PAST.

(IV) GOVERNMENTS WOULD BE ASKED TO TIGHTEN THEIR PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN.

(V) GOVERNMENTS COULD BE ASKED TO BRING POLITICAL PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA, ASKING COMPLIANCE WITH SANCTIONS.

(VI) THE PREPARATION OF A CONFIDENTIAL BLACKLIST BY MEMBERS OF THE CORE GROUP CONTAINING FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS
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INVOLVED IN SANCTIONS BUSTING.

(VII) DISCUSS THE TERMS OF REFERENCE CONCERNING THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE CORE GROUP AND ITS WORK. IN THIS CONNECTION THE CHARACTER OF PUBLICITY GIVEN TO THE WORK OF THE CORE GROUP SHOULD BE DECIDED.

(VIII) DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE INVITATION TO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE UN TO JOIN THE CORE GROUP, SUCH AS YUGOSLAVIA, KENYA, IRAN, PANAMA, AND INDIA.

5. USUN IS ENCOURAGED BY EVIDENCE OF JAPANESE INTEREST WHICH AUGERS WELL FOR THEIR COOPERATION WITHIN PROPOSED CORE GROUP. JAPANESE PARTICIPATION WOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE OTHER MEMBER STATES TO JOIN IN FURTHER EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTHERN RHODESIA.
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